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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Klaus Dieter HAMMER, et al.
Title: Moulded Articles of Cellulose Hydrate With Enzymatically Modified Surface
Appl. No.: 09/214,840
Appl. Filing Date: 01/13/1999
Examiner: S. Hon
Art Unit: 1772

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
TRANSMITTAL

Mail Stop RCE
Commissioner for Patents
PO Box 1450
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. This RCE and the enclosed items listed below are being filed prior to the earliest of: (1) payment of the issue fee (unless a petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.313 is granted); (2) abandonment of the application; or (3) the filing of a notice of appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit under 35 U.S.C. §141, or the commencement of a civil action under 35 U.S.C. §145 or §146 (unless the appeal or civil action is terminated).

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114: (check items that apply)

a. Previously submitted:

☒ Please enter and consider the amendment/reply previously filed on March 19, 2003.

☐ Please consider the Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) previously filed on ___ but not considered.

☐ Please consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on ___.

☐ Other ___.

b. Enclosed are:

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02 FC:1E33

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- ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s).
- ☐ Information Disclosure Statement.
- ☐ Form PTO-1449 with copies of ___ listed reference(s).
- ☐ Other .

Miscellaneous:

- ☐ Suspension of action of the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of ___ months.

The filing fee is calculated below:

| | Claims as Amended | | Previously Paid For | | Extra Claims Present | | Rate | | Fee Totals |
|--|-------------------------|---|------------------------|---|----------------------------|---|----------|---|------------|
| RCE Fee 1.17(e) | | | | | | | \$750.00 | | \$750.00 |
| Total Claims: | 20 | — | 20 | = | 0 | x | \$18.00 | = | \$0.00 |
| Independents: | 2 | — | 3 | = | 0 | x | \$84.00 | = | \$0.00 |
| First presentation of any Multiple Dependent Claims: | | | | | | + | \$280.00 | = | \$0.00 |
| CLAIMS FEE TOTAL: | | | | | | | | | \$750.00 |

- ☒ Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for the total number of months checked below:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Extension for response filed within the first month: | \$110.00 | \$0.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Extension for response filed within the second month: | \$410.00 | \$0.00 |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Extension for response filed within the third month (1 st Mo. Paid): | \$820.00 | \$820.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Extension for response filed within the fourth month: | \$1,450.00 | \$0.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Extension for response filed within the fifth month: | \$1,970.00 | \$0.00 |
| EXTENSION FEE TOTAL: | | \$820.00 |
| CLAIMS AND EXTENSION FEE TOTAL: | | \$1570.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Small Entity Fees Apply (subtract ½ of above): | | \$0.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Suspension of action requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) | | \$0.00 |
| TOTAL FEE: | | \$1570.00 |

- ☒ A check in the amount of \$1570.00 to cover the filing fee is enclosed.
- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-

dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Please direct all correspondence to the undersigned attorney or agent at the address indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: May 19, 2003

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Customer Number: 22428



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